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My dear Sir

That your letter of the 7th ult has not been sooner acknowledged, has been due to my absence in New Mexico, and not to any lack on the part of Mr Goode or mine of appreciation of ~~the~~ kind words of sympathy which you transmit on the part of members of the British Association.

If you have occasion to write to Prof Newton I hope you will express our joint thanks on behalf